

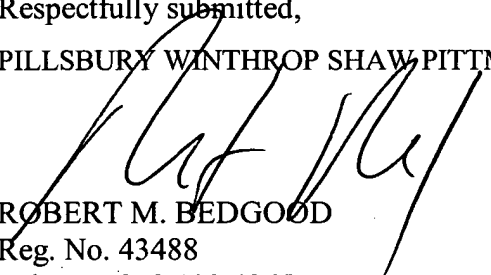
REMARKS

In response to the Office Action mailed January 12, 2006, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, claims 1 to 4, 6 to 32, 34, 35 and 41, the species of vector AAV (adeno-associated virus), and the species of SEQ. ID NO: 1 (Arg-Lys-Arg-Arg-Lys-Arg) for prosecution in the above-identified application.

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